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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:

U.S. Application of: Koichi NAGATA  
 For: FACSIMILE APPARATUS WITH  
 CONFIDENTIAL RECEPTION FUNCTION  
 U.S. Serial No.: 09/108,715  
 Filed: July 1, 1998  
 Group Art Unit: 2723  
 Examiner: Kaveh Cyrus Kianni

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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated July 6, 2000, which provides for a response period ending October 6, 2000. A Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time is enclosed herewith, extending the period for response to December 6, 2000.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: